

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of the claims in the above-captioned patent application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-11 (cancelled)

Claim 12 (currently amended): A method of constructing a plurality of metal frame members from a sheet of metal strip on a roll forming apparatus, the method including the step of forming at least one first frame member having a U-section channel profile and at least one second frame member having a C-section channel profiles simultaneously profile, wherein the at least one first frame member and the at least one second frame member are formed on the same sheet of metal strip.

Claim 13 (currently amended): A method of constructing a building frame assembly, said method including the steps of:

recording data defining a unit area in which the frame assembly is to fit;[[,]]

processing the data on computing means to design the frame assembly to fit the unit area;[[,]] and

forming at least one first frame members into a U-shaped profile and at least one second frame member into a C-shaped profile by using the processed data from the computing means to control controlling the operation of a roll forming apparatus which is adapted to form channel-shaped metal the at least one first frame member and the at least one second frame members member from a sheet metal strip[[,]] using the processed data from the computing means to produce frame members formed and cut ready for assembly to produce the required design of building frame assembly.

Claim 14 (currently amended): [[A]] The method of constructing building frame assembly according to claim 13, wherein the data defining the unit area includes data from the architectural/design drawings, such that the frame assembly designed is adapted to accommodate all utility and architectural features required in the unit area.

Claim 15 (currently amended): [[A]] ~~The method of constructing a building frame assembly according to~~ claim 14, wherein the data further includes physical measurements of actual dimensions of the unit area.

Claims 16-20 (cancelled)

• Claim 21 (new): The method of claim 12, wherein the step of forming the U-section channel profile and the step of forming the C-section channel profile each comprise the step of swaging a portion of the channel by forming one or more ridges in a base portion of the U-section and the C-section channel profiles, the one or more ridges formed at a predetermined depth to achieve a desired amount of swaging.

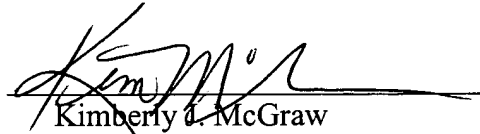
Claim 22 (new): The method of claim 21, wherein the step of forming the one or more ridges further comprises the substeps of forming a first ridge having a first depth and subsequently increasing the depth of the first ridge to form a second ridge having a second depth which is greater than the first depth.

Claim 23 (new): The method of claim 12, wherein the step of forming the U-section channel profile comprises the substep of forming the U-section channel profile only in portions of the sheet metal strip where the first metal frame member forms a junction with the second metal frame member.

CONCLUSION

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the \$110 large entity fee for a one-month extension of time, and any other fees associated with this response, to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 02-4377.

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